

THE MELTING POT STRONGEST NUMBER OF THE CHAUTAUQUA

The Chautauqua program has been so uniformly good that patrons had grown to expect excellencies from the producers, but even in face of this fact, the immense house was not prepared for the masterpiece as presented in "The Melting Pot" Tuesday evening.

With all of the pent-up fires of souls who have touched hand with life's real tragedies, their words ringing true and penetrating like those whose natures have been seared in the white heat of disillusionment, the actors laid bare the intent of the writer, and at no one instant was the house out of touch with the play.

Such a blending of aspiration, visioning, hopefulness and prayer, backgrounded against realities as startlingly cruel as pen or the mind may make them, will perhaps never be presented. The story is one written by Israel Zangwill, and is replete with a tingling of life-touch, riveting the spectator to the facts inescapable.

Truly have advance and publicity men said that "The Melting Pot" is presented by an all-star cast. Nothing could have been truer. There is not a weak member in the cast, neither is there a feeble line in the play. It is a strong place for strong actors, and no mistake has been made in the distribution of the parts.

Its penetrative qualities pronounced and the lessons intended to be conveyed may not be overlooked by the most indifferent. The production was more than acting merely; it was the delivery of a startling message in a most extraordinary way. Those who failed to see "The Melting Pot" were unfortunate.

Generally speaking the Chautauqua was a success both financially and as a week of high class entertainment. The entire week was a rainy one, but there was a good attendance each day both afternoon and evening.

Merger Hemperley for Representative

The first person on the democratic side of the fence to announce his name as a candidate for the nomination for state representative, one of the most important offices to be filled in Coconino county is Mercer Hemperley.

Mr. Hemperley is a native of Mississippi, a state that is considered rather democratic in its political tendencies, in fact almost exclusively so. He was a student of the Louisiana state university and admitted to the bar in 1912, coming to Arizona a short time later where he was connected with the office of C. B. Wilson being admitted to the Arizona bar in 1914 and starting into practice for himself in Flagstaff. He was city attorney for one term and has built up a commendable practice of law for himself.

Believing that a lawyer is best adaptable to the work of legislating, where many technical questions are constantly coming up for immediate settlement by the legislative body, he announced his candidacy for the place.

He announces that if elected he will endeavor to give his best efforts in securing uniform legislation and laws that will be enforceable. He favors the office of public defender duly elected, who will defend cases brought by persons unable to pay attorney fees, rather than the present system of appointing by the court in each individual case as it arises.

Up to the present time he has no opposition for the place and has every reason to believe he will be the nominee with the hope that a strenuous campaign will bring about his election.

Wm. Rudd Sells Cattle Outfit

Will Rudd has disposed of his bunch of cattle, range rights and ranches in the Ft. Valley country and north during the summer and in the Grand Canyon country during the winter months. The amount paid for the outfit was not given, but it was a good sized bunch of stuff and located very favorably on the range.

Flagstaff Wallops Williams

In spite of the rain last Sunday the Flagstaff Grays beat the team from Williams at the old sport of playing ball. The Grays say the reason they beat the Williams boys was because the Williams boys had on new suits and didn't want to spoil them. The score is as follows:
Flagstaff Grays 11
Williams 7

MEXICAN SHOOTING AFFRAY AT WILLIAMS SUNDAY

Williams was the scene of a rapid fire shooting scrape last Sunday night, but luckily murder was not done, not, however without good intentions on the part of the shooters.

As near as can be ascertained there was a Mexican dance where an altercation occurred and there was wrangling in the hearts of the contestants. Later at night when the dance was over a couple of the participants, secured some heavy artillery and thus prepared, went to seek the opposing parties.

Down the street they met a bunch of compadres and asked for the ones they were looking for; those addressed did not know where they were. With this answer the attacking party pulled their guns with the remark: "We'll see if there is a man here," and commenced shooting. The result of their gunfire were narrow escapes for two of the crowd. One received a gouge over the eye with a bullet that cut across the corner of his forehead, glancing on his skull bone, another shot cut across the chest of another member of the party, going in from the left and skinning across his wishbone and coming out at the other side without more than a flesh wound.

The parties doing the shooting were apprehended after the shooting and held for legal action.

Yesterday County Attorney Wilson, Undersheriff F. L. Dickinson and Tom Eakins went to the scene of action to hold a preliminary hearing as to the cause of the shooting.

While the evident intentions of the shooting party were good, luckily no casualties resulted from their effort. No report of the preliminary trial has been received, but in all probability shooting party will be held over in bail for a diagnosis of their case in a legal sense.

WOULD ORGANIZE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Mr. Frederic Price Comfort is making a canvass of the county in the interest of a county wide Chamber of Commerce and has enlisted the support of many of the prominent business men of Flagstaff, Williams and other points in the county in the movement.

Mr. Comfort has a complete plan laid out for the organization of such a body with special committees to handle separate divisions of the work of boosting the county at large.

Whether the new Chamber of Commerce is eventually brought into being rests with the business men and others in the county. The benefit to be derived from a good live Chamber of Commerce is unquestionable, but it needs the hearty support of the members in carrying on the work.

The Coconino County Chamber of Commerce was organized July 25th, 1916, and a general meeting will be called in the near future to consider matters of importance to the residents of Coconino county. It is proposed to hold meetings alternately in Flagstaff and Williams. The organization appears to be meeting with excellent support.

J. D. Dunn Candidate for Assessor

J. D. Dunn the present county assessor is out for the nomination this year on the democratic ticket for re-election.

The many intricate mysteries of the tax laws of the state make it necessary for one to be thoroughly, or at least very well acquainted with their complexities, in order to handle the work of that office.

The friends of Mr. Dunn believe that he made good in handling the work for the past two years in the interest of the people at large and should be given another term in that office.

Having been born and raised down in the alligator country he naturally trends toward democracy and uses it consistently, though he has come to believe in later years that there are even a lot of republicans who can consistently claim to being human.

Mr. Dunn promises his best efforts in handling the affairs of the office the coming year with justice to all property owners, treating each and every taxpayer with fairness, as he has done during the past two years.

New Dentist for Flagstaff

Dr. J. C. O'Connell, formerly of Phoenix has decided to locate in Flagstaff if it is possible for him to secure quarters for an office. Dr. O'Connell has been in Flagstaff for several days looking over the situation and conditions seem to appeal to him, with the result that he proposes to become a permanent resident of the city.

POST TRADER KILLED AT HOUCK STATION BY COWBOY WEDNESDAY

Leonard Oleson, the post trader at Houck station Apache county, was shot and killed Wednesday by Fay Sheek, a cowboy employed by the Bennett & Small Cattle company.

Houck station is a small trading post near Holbrook, just across the line in Apache county.

So far as can be learned the shooting was the result of previous trouble between the two men which had its origin some months before. The trouble was renewed Wednesday when Sheek drew his gun and shot Oleson six times, killing him almost instantly.

Oleson was a large man and said to have been unduly aggressive; Sheek

was a small man unable to defend himself physically in a contest with Oleson consequently turned lose with his six shooter when the trouble commenced.

The body of Oleson was brought to Winslow yesterday for burial, where Oleson had a sister and a brother living.

Sheek gave himself up to the authorities of Apache county and is now in jail at St. Johns awaiting a preliminary hearing on the charge of murder.

Just what trouble brought on the killing is not generally known, though it has been known that it had been brewing for several months.

LUCKY TERMINATION OF A MOST EXCITING RUNAWAY

There was a rapid scatterment of people, wagon and horses last Friday noon at the corner of San Francisco street and Railroad avenue, when a team belonging to J. B. Clark started something all their own. He had just dumped a load of dirt for street filling when something happened to one of the teams great displeasure and he turned his rear artillery lose in volleys, then started to move out of the picture. The team swung around, narrowly missing the fated lampost, but plunged into some soft cement that E. B. Raudebaugh had just finished laying at that corner, bumping the tongue of the wagon into the brick corner with force enough to break it in two, then swung back with the wagon rambling back and forwards across the road until they attempted to make a turn north of Railroad avenue; there they took a small chunk off the corner of a house and were captured a short distance up the street.

Clark, who was driving the team up to the time they started on their own personally conducted excursion, was unable to keep his vantage point in the wagon when it started on its wiggling swish around the corner and picked out a clean place on the new pavement to pile his personality rather than attempt any watchful waiting, for in his estimation, not counting in factors of equilibrium, there was a tempestuous tournament ahead.

As soon as he realized that he had really stopped, he commenced again, using his own momentum, directing his course so as to reach the high-gear team in the shortest possible time. Luckily, Clark did not bust any of his machinery or have a blow-out when he smeared himself on the street. The team, however, only missed by a small margin of going through the plate glass window and playing billiards with Andy Jones' pool hall.

There were a good many people on the corner and most of them were playing checkers with themselves in order not to take up any space or roadway the horses desired to use.

M. A. Murphy for Justice

Mr. M. A. Murphy, the indefatigable worker during the Elks' celebration, has announced himself as a candidate for the nomination on the democratic ticket for the office of Justice of the Peace for this precinct and will be an active candidate for that office.

Mr. Murphy was the democratic nominee for the office of Clerk of the Superior Court two years ago and is a consistent democrat with many friends on both sides of the political fence.

He is asking for the support of his friends for that office, believing that he can bring to it the necessary qualifications to deal out justice, in whatever manner it may arise to the satisfaction of those who believe in exact justice, rather than mere law or favoritism.

Mr. Murphy is a property owner of Flagstaff, a permanent resident and one who thoroughly believes in the growing city of Flagstaff. He has no friends to reward and no enemies to punish if elected to that important office.

He would greatly appreciate the support of the people of this justice precinct in electing him to that important office and is sincere in his belief that he could do justice to all, regardless of their political beliefs.

Marriage Licenses Issued

July 20—Ignacio Baca, Williams to Trinidad Alvares, Williams.
July 22—Gorgonia Gonzalez, Flagstaff to Pedro Cuezve, Flagstaff.

COUNCILMAN FINLEY GETS IN FOR ONLY AN EIGHTH

Councilman Sam Finley was caused to advance with careful tread yesterday morning in to the sanctum sanctorum of the Police Judge for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not his automobile, of the Studebaker breed, was capable of making more than fifteen miles per hour within the precincts of Flagstaff. The speed cop, who does not seem to be acquainted with anyone, averred that Sam's Studebaker was going at the rate of eighteen miles per hour when he gathered the data on the Councilman. Councilman Sam was demonstrating the machine at the time to one who desired to purchase it, and he declares the proposed purchaser told him that he wasn't in the market for a mudturtle and that he could buy a snail contraption more cheaper down the road. With this, Sam kicked a small contrivance to see if his "Old Maria" would answer, and for twenty feet it ran at the rate of 15 1/2 miles per hour. The speed cop, knowing that Sam had helped make the ordinance, turned him in on the margin.

Sam, when called in to see his executioner, entered his plea, something like this: "Well, you see, judge, it was necessary for me to get some competent evidence to show the man I was showing the car to, that it could run 15 miles per hour. While in my own mind I am some sceptical about it even yet, but if it is the judgment of this court that "Old Maria" will go better than that, it is worth more than that amount to me in selling the car. Here's your \$10 yellow-back just to show that I believe the city has a right to set a speedometer to regulate speed, whether it is by booze, gasoline or areoplane."

With this cool statement from Sam, George Reynolds remarked that since there was no speed arrangement on the machine he was using, he would be equally as magnanimous, regardless of the short-change speedometer the cop seems to have been using.

Many friends came to see Judge Layton at about that same hour yesterday, bringing along a subdued whinner, but neither of the "speed fiends" gave them an opportunity to "horse laugh 'em."

SANTA FE TO START NEW TICKET SYSTEM

A new system of handling passenger tickets by the Santa Fe company will go into effect on August 1st, owing to the recent order and opinion of the Arizona Corporation Commission in the matter of three cent rate investigation now pending, for all business within the state of Arizona.

All agents will be supplied with special card, simplex and coupon tickets which are to be sold after August 1st. The coupon of the ticket will be detached and held as a receipt for money paid and if the order of the Corporation Commission eventually stands, and the rate of 3 cents per mile becomes operative, the coupon will be good for a return of the excess amount paid by the holder. The receipt coupon is not good on trains for fare and must be signed and retained by the purchaser until a final decision has been rendered; if a three cent fare is ordered, they are worth the difference, if not they are worthless.

Democratic Club Meeting

The Democratic Club of Coconino county will have a meeting at the court house on Friday evening July 28th at 8 p. m. All Democrats please be present.

W. J. STEVENSON,
Secretary.

GOOFS, GINKS AND GAWKS ALL IN CIRCUS PARADE.

There was a gigantic, spectacular parade, gorgeous in its magnificent splendor, which included its monstrosities gathered from the extreme ends of the confines of the magnificent city of Flagstaff, gabbalooks, galla-wallopers, pink giraffs, humming birds with tusks, goblins, elephants, woofs-wooffs, whangadoodles, the sacred neckless turkey, with dressing to match; pingpoodles, automobilious bugs, also a snoot-snout group, a patchawallager with a thousand eyes, or freckless, or something like that; beautiful ladies, whose ages can safely be exposed for years; lamp-black ladies with sunlight complexions, whose ages have about reached the beau-tide, and so on, and so on, made up the "Ringless Circus" of the children's parade for the Tuesday morning joy-day of the big Chautauqua.

The "circus," eliminating the P. T. Barnum method of post-poster language, was one of the most amusing and entertaining parades that has been seen in Flagstaff since a string of cowpunchers rode a bunch of burros, and it attracted large crowds along the streets to see the little folks and their imitations of the gob-goblins and animals of a "real circus parade."

The children's circus was put on under the auspices of the Chautauqua by the children of Flagstaff for the benefit of the Flagstaff "Playground" movement and held at the Chautauqua tent at 10:30 just after the parade.

Everything that a big circus puts up to attract a crowd was represented or misrepresented, just as it struck the visitor, by the great, long galaxy of actors, burro riders and burlesque animals.

The parade and the circus was immensely enjoyed by a large crowd of people and the little folks in their characters as different kinds of circus folks were well worth twice the price of admission.

The morning entertainment netted over \$40 which will be turned over to a local committee for a playground fund.

HENRY D. ROSS FOR JUDGE OF SUPREME COURT

Chief Justice, Henry D. Ross, of Prescott, arrived in Flagstaff last week and has been lining things up for renomination to the office of Judge of the Supreme court. Mr. Ross is well known in Flagstaff, having located here when he came to Arizona in 1886. He taught school and practiced law in Flagstaff and was elected county attorney soon after the county of Coconino was organized.

Three judges were elected at the last election, Mr. Ross being one of them, and their terms were to be two, four and six years respectively. The men elected drew lots for the terms, and, although Mr. Ross had the highest vote, he drew the short term of two years.

Hereafter one judge will be elected every two years and his term will be for six years. Mr. Ross is seeking the nomination on the democratic ticket, but upon securing the nomination his name will be placed on the general election ballot at the top with the names of other nominated candidates without party designations, as the law provides. He is asking for the votes of the people on the record he has made in office.

Some More Good Improvements

Alf Dickinson is very much a booster for street improvements and has started the game on E. Railroad avenue along in front of the Pine hotel, which he promises to make a real hotel as fast as he can build up. That particular block, with no walks has been more or less of an eye sore because of the lack of cement walks and grades. This is being remedied and the tourists first glimpse of the city as he comes in from the east will give him a much better opinion of the town when the work has been completed, aside from the added 25% to the value of the property. Located as prominently as it is, it really should be paved. In any event the present work will be of great scenic value.

Governor Meets Governor

Governor Hunt arrived in Flagstaff on Sunday evening to receive Governor R. B. Glenn, of North Carolina, into the state of Arizona.

Governor Glenn arrived in Flagstaff during the afternoon, scheduled to deliver a lecture at the Chautauqua in the evening. As an especial mark of attention the governor of Arizona was present to greet him.

REPUBLICANS HOLD BIG LOVE FEAST AT COUNTY CONVENTION

There was an enthusiastic gathering of republicans at the county convention held at the court house last Saturday afternoon, with a representative number from the different precincts over the county.

There was little they could do in a definite way in putting up a ticket, but there were many good suggestions made for the coming campaign and plans were laid for one of the real old time methods of doing things with all hands interested in the game.

The convention was organized by the election of F. S. Breen as chairman and T. H. Cureton of Williams as secretary.

The report of the committee on credentials showed a good representation present, especially from Williams, where eight delegates were present out of ten they were entitled to.

The following resolution was presented and unanimously adopted:

Be it Resolved by the Republicans of Coconino county, in convention assembled, that we most heartily endorse the action of the Chicago convention in nominating Charles E. Hughes for the presidency and Charles W. Fairbanks for vice-president and hereby pledge our loyal support for their election.

Resolved, that the democratic administration, both state and national has been highly detrimental to the best interests of the people and that this convention call upon all good citizens to unite in securing an administration in the interest of the public at large;

That we recommend all the officers who have enforced the laws and further recommend that our laws be either enforced or repealed and not be subjected to the whims of any particular faction or person."

The convention was addressed by Thos. Maddock, chairman of the state central committee, who took occasion to remind those present that it was a republican year and conditions were never more favorable than at present to sweep the state.

Owing to having been elected state chairman, Mr. Maddock tendered his resignation as county chairman, which was followed by the resignation of Secretary Crable, because of his candidacy for the nomination for county attorney.

The vacancies were filled by the election of Fred W. Smith as chairman and G. T. Wall as secretary of the central committee.

The question of securing republican registration officers for Flagstaff and Williams came up and a committee was appointed to wait on the County Recorder to ascertain whether he would appoint any officers other than the democrats now doing that work.

Candidates Discussed

There were many new names discussed for places on the ticket, aside from the ones who have already announced themselves as candidates. No action could be taken since it is necessary to go to the primary in any event. Among the many discussed were the following:

State Senate—M. J. Riordan, E. H. Crabb, H. J. Gray.

Legislature—T. H. Cureton, Charles Larson.

Supervisors—F. S. Herr, B. A. Cameron, W. A. Campbell, George T. Herrington, W. M. Rudd.

County Attorney—C. B. Wilson and Francis D. Crable.

County Treasurer—Leo F. Verkamp, Charles Button of Williams, Fred Garing.

County Recorder—Judge R. J. Kidd, Albert Dennis, R. A. Morse, John Zalaha.

County Supt. of Schools—Mrs. Bertha Kennedy, Mrs. Alex A. Johnston, Mrs. E. E. Rosenberry.

County Assessor—Jerry Lee, Ben Pearce, both of Williams, F. O. Allen.

Sheriff—J. O. Harrington.

It is a splendid list to pick from and the voters will have little difficulty in making a good selection.

To Organize Republican Club

At the conclusion of the convention proper, the Flagstaff delegates started a movement to immediately start the organization of a republican club on the plan of the Williams club, which now has a hundred members or more who are doing good work for the good of the cause. A special meeting will soon be called by the committee to start the organization on the way.